

- \* Social Mobilization activities are being intensified by involving the local influencers, community and religious leaders to improve community participation and acceptance of polio vaccine.
- \* The ASHA workers are also now being fully involved in Pulse Polio Immunization especially in tracking of newborn and missed children and vaccinating them during the monthly Health day.

(c) No such instance has come to the notice of the Central Government.

### **Polio in Maharashtra**

1891. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some polio infected patients were found in Maharashtra State in the current year;

(b) if so, the details of polio infected children, State-wise during the year 2005-06;

(c) whether it is a fact that the present advertisement campaign of polio eradication is grossly inadequate and ineffective.

(d) if so, what new steps his Ministry proposes to take in this regard; and

(e) what immediate action Government had taken or propose to take to eradicate polio virus?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Four Virological positive polio cases have been detected in Maharashtra State in the current year.

(b) Details of polio cases reported during 2005 and 2006 are at Statement (See below).

(c) to (e) No Sir. Following actions are being taken to eradicate polio virus.

- \* Conducted consistent high quality supplementary immunization rounds in January, February, April and May, June, July, September

and November 06 and planned National immunization rounds in the month of January and February 2007.

- \* Monovalent oral polio vaccine 1 (mOPV1) are being used in the high risk districts and States to enhance immunity so that the presently circulating P1 virus can be interrupted.
- \* Since polio virus type 3 circulation is limited to few districts of Moradabad region, an immunization round using Monovalent Oral Polio Vaccine 3 (mOPV3) is being taken up in 9 districts of Western Uttar Pradesh from 10 December 2006.
- \* To Enhance the immunity of newborn, a special drive to vaccinate newborn with mOPV1 within 72 hours of birth have been initiated in selected high-risk blocks of Moradabad district.
- \* Social Mobilization activities are being intensified by involving the local influencers, community and religious leaders to improve community participation and acceptance of polio vaccine.
- \* State Political Leadership and Administration are continuously being updated on the identified gaps in the implementation of the Program, they in-turn are constantly monitoring the progress with the District Administration. The District Magistrates are taking corrective action through the District Task Force formed to accelerator the program implementation.
- \* The ASHA workers are also now being fully involved in Pulse Polio Immunization especially in tracking of newborn and missed children and vaccinating them during the monthly Health day.
- \* IEC activities have been intensified in the affected States.

### **Statement**

*Polio cases for 2005 to 2006*

*(upto 1st December, 2006)*

Sl. No.	Name of the State/UT	Wild Poliovirus	
		2005	2006
1.	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	0	0

1	2	3	4
2.	A & N Islands	0	0
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0
4.	Assam	0	1
5.	Bihar	30	46
6.	Chandigarh	0	1
7.	Chhattisgarh	0	0
8.	D & N Haveli	0	0
9.	Daman & Diu	0	0
10.	Delhi	1	5
11.	Goa	0	0
12.	Gujarat	1	3
13.	Haryana	1	14
14.	Himachal Pradesh	0	0
15.	Jammu & Kashmir	0	0
16.	Jharkhand	2	1
17.	Karnataka	0	0
18.	Kerala	0	0
19.	Lakshadweep	0	0
20.	Madhya Pradesh	0	3
21.	Maharashtra	0	4
22.	Manipur	0	0
23.	Meghalaya	0	0
24.	Mizoram	0	0
25.	Nagaland	0	0
26.	Orissa	0	0
27.	Pondicherry	0	0
28.	Punjab	1	5

1	2	3	4
29.	Rajasthan	0	0
30.	Sikkim	0	0
31.	Tamil Nadu	0	0
32.	Tripura	0	0
33.	Uttaranchal	1	13
34.	Uttar Pradesh	29	474
35.	West Bengal	0	1
TOTAL		66	571

### Identification of generic drugs

1892. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA:  
SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have lately evolved any scheme for making essential generic drugs for various diseases identified under the National Health Policy, including AIDS;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to implement the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

### Danger due to coal washing

†1893. SHRI RAMADHAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there can be adverse effects on public health due to setting

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.